

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 17, 2014

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 10, 2013 – January 16, 2014. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennaya.gov)

INCIDENTS

Petit Larceny 14-00366 200 Block Locust Street, SE

Between November 22, 2013 at 12:00 a.m. and December 24, 2013 at 11:59 p.m.

A resident reported he had placed an envelope containing his rent check on the mailbox to be picked up by the mailman. He stated he received a notice from his landlord informing him that the check had not been delivered.

The resident believes that someone is taking his mail.

This case is being investigated.

Fraud 14-00630

200 Block Pleasant Street, SW

Between December 06, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. and January 16, 2014 at 3:03 p.m.

A resident reported that she believes a friend of a family member had taken a credit card from her home and has been making charges to the account without her permission.

This case is being investigated.

Police Service 14-00043 100 Block Church Street, NW January 02 6:08 a.m.

A resident reported that workers had been taking down a tent and were causing noise that was in violation of the Town of Vienna Noise Ordinance.

Officer Kiley responded and spoke with the workers who agreed to cease working until the time that is stipulated in the ordinance.

Suspicious Event 14-00412

200 Block Commons Drive, NW

Between January 04 at 9:00 a.m. and January 12 at 11:09 a.m.

A resident reported that he had been contacted by Verizon and informed that a new phone number had been added to his account. The resident contacted Verizon and cancelled the additional number informing them that the number had been added without his knowledge.

The resident stated he was then contacted by an insurance company informing him that an insurance policy for a telephone had been added to his account. He informed them he had not applied for the insurance policy and it should be terminated.

He stated that although the attempts to add a new phone and insurance policy were made there had been no charges to his accounts.

Found Property 14-00370

Center Street at Wilmar Street, NW

January 06 2:00 p.m.

A resident responded to the Vienna Police Station to turn in an iPhone she had found.

The iPhone will be held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can be identified.

Fraud 14-00602

600 Block Thelma Circle, SW

Between January 07 at 9:00 a.m. and January 16 at 9:35 a.m.

A resident reported that her debit card company had contacted her and informed her that her debit card information may have been compromised. The resident reviewed the charges in question and stated they were made without her knowledge.

This case is being investigated.

Solicitor 14-00348

Echols Street at Delano Drive, SE

January 10 3:12 p.m.

MPO Sheeran was on patrol when he discovered two subjects that appeared to be soliciting. After making contact with the individuals he determined that they did not possess a valid Town of Vienna Solicitors Permit.

MPO Sheeran informed the two individuals of the process to obtain a permit. They agreed to cease solicitations until the proper permits were obtained.

Grand Larceny 14-00413 500 Block Beulah Road, NE

Between January 10 at 7:00 p.m. and January 11 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that someone had taken her wallet.

This case is being investigated.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-00357 Maple Avenue at Nutley Street, SW January 11 12:03 a.m.

Officer Tracy conducted a traffic stop after observing the driver commit several traffic infractions. Upon his interaction with the operator he detected the signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete several field sobriety tests Officer Tracy arrested Mr. Oscar Mauricio Flores, 25, of Allman Drive in Annandale, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Flores was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was provided the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. Once at the Detention Center Mr. Flores refused to provide a sample of his breath and was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Refusal to Submit to a Breath Test.

Mr. Flores was held on a \$1,500.00 bond.

Animal Case – Quarantine 14-00443 The Hope Center 140 Park Street, SE January 11 6:30 p.m.

An employee reported he had been bit by a dog while attempting to perform an examination. The employee did not seek medical treatment for the bite. The dog was later transferred to another facility for treatment.

ACO Barker spoke with the employee and the owner of the dog and determined that the dog is being treated and resides in Fairfax County.

ACO Barker spoke with Fairfax County Animal control who agreed to follow up with this case.

Assault 14-00390 900 Block Lullaby Lane, SE January 12 12:00 a.m.

A resident reported that when he attempted to calm down his intoxicated brother a physical altercation ensued.

The brother did not wish to pursue charges.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-00397 400 Block Lawyers Road, NW January 12 1:30 a.m.

Sgt. Sylmar conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the odor of marijuana. After further interaction he located a measurable amount of marijuana.

Sgt. Sylmar issued a summons to Mr. Tarik Todd, 20, of Hampden Street in Kensington, Maryland for Possession of Marijuana.

Mr. Todd was released after signing the summons.

Open Door 14-00396 The Green Hedges School 415 Windover Avenue, NW January 12 1:34 a.m.

An employee reported that she found a door to the school had been left unsecured.

Officer Tracy along with MPO Evans responded and searched the building and determined that nothing appeared to be out of place.

The officers secured the building prior to leaving.

Suspicious Event 14-00415 600 Block Roberts Drive, NW January 12 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

A resident suspected a neighbor of upsetting her trash can and dumping the contents into the street.

Officer Holcombe investigated the case and determined there was insufficient evidence of a crime.

Grand Larceny 14-00572 600 Birch Street, SW

Between January 12 at 9:00 a.m. and January 15 at 2:07 p.m.

A resident reported that both her husband and her vehicles were entered and the GPS's were taken.

The resident was unsure if either of the vehicles were left unlocked, however there was no evidence to suggest that forced entry had been made to the vehicles.

Trespassing 14-00423 7-11 537 Maple Avenue, West

January 12 3:50 p.m.

MPO Sheeran was on patrol when he observed an individual inside the 7-11 who had previously been banned from the business.

MPO Sheeran spoke with the individual who stated he had been in the business on several occasions and had not been asked to leave. An employee confirmed that the individual had been permitted to enter the business in spite of previously being banned.

The individual was again informed to leave and not return to the business.

Arrest – Drunk in Public 14-00428 200 Block Locust Street, SE January 12 5:41 p.m.

Residents of the apartment building reported that an individual was in the lobby and had fallen asleep.

PFC Lyons responded and after awaking the individual from his slumber he determined that Mr. Angel Vazquez, 40, No Fix Address was intoxicated.

Mr. Vazquez was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-00433 Maple Avenue at Park Street, NE January 12 9:37 p.m.

Sgt. Farhan conducted a traffic stop after observing the driver commit a series of traffic infractions. Upon his interaction with the driver Sgt. Farhan determined that the driver may have been impaired.

After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Juan Angel Posada, 24, of Allison Circle in Fairfax, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated. Mr. Posada was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was provided the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis.

After the analysis Mr. Posada was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Posada was held on a \$5,000.00 bond.

Grand Larceny 14-00442 100 Block Melody Lane, SE January 13 between 5:00 a.m. and 7:45 a.m.

A resident reported he rode his bicycle to a friend's. After arriving at his friend's house he parked his bicycle, unsecured, across the street at a home that is currently under construction.

He stated when he returned to get his "Giant" brand mountain bike he discovered it had been taken.

Suspicious Event 14-00578 900 Block Shady Drive, SE January 13 3:01 p.m.

A resident reported that the grandfather of a tenant that rents a property in Arlington, Virginia had sent him an email that he found to be disturbing. After receiving the email the resident informed the grandfather that he would not discuss any property issues with him.

MPO Sheeran responded and advised the resident it may be a good idea to have someone present when he visits the property.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-00469 Tapawingo Road at Park Street, SE January 13 4:34 p.m.

Sgt. Juelharte conducted a traffic stop. Upon her interaction with the driver she detected the odor of marijuana. After further interaction with the driver she located a measurable amount of Marijuana.

Sgt. Juelharte issued a summons to Mr. Robert Allen Portwood, 70, of Park Terrace Court in Vienna for Possession of Marijuana.

Mr. Portwood was released after signing the summons.

Animal Case 14-00471 500 Block Ayr Hill Avenue, NE January 13 5:50 p.m.

A resident reported that while she was walking her dog she was approached by another dog. The second dog did not have any identification and the owner could not be found.

Officer Herrera responded and transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter where it will be held until the owner can be identified.

Open Door 14-00493 American Cancer Society 124 Park Street, SE January 14 7:55 a.m.

An alarm company reported that a business alarm had been activated.

Officer Herrera responded and located an open door to the business. Officer Herrera and Officer Digan searched the business and determined that nothing appeared to be out of place.

An employee also responded to the business and was informed to telephone the police if she discovered anything had been taken.

Arrest – Alcohol Violation 14-00495 The Cedar Lane School 101 Cedar Lane, SW January 14 8:08 a.m.

An employee reported that a student had been at the school and was displaying signs that she may have been intoxicated.

Officer Digan responded and determined that the student was intoxicated. After attempting to speak with the student she became combative and uncooperative.

Officer Digan transported the student to the Fairfax County Juvenile Intake Center where she was charged with Possession of Alcohol on School Grounds and Resisting Arrest.

Suspicious Event 14-00565 Starbucks 107 Maple Avenue, West January 15 11:29 a.m.

A citizen reported that after exiting the Starbucks she was confronted by a man who accused her of striking his vehicle in the parking lot. She stated the man's demeanor became heated when she denied the allegations.

She requested that a police report be completed in the event he attempts to report a hit and run involving her vehicle.

Grand Larceny 14-00584 Tooth Town 301 Maple Avenue, West January 15 between 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

An employee reported that someone entered his office and had taken his wallet from his coat pocket. The employee stated that when he discovered his wallet was missing he cancelled the credit cards but was informed that there had been charges made without his knowledge.

This case is being investigated.

Suspicious Event 14-00582 200 Block Locust Street, SE January 15 4:15 p.m.

A resident reported that she left her laundry in a washing machine in the apartment building's communal laundry room. She stated when she returned to the laundry room another woman had taken her laundry from the washer and replaced it with her laundry. She also removed the resident's dryer sheets and quarters from a dryer, that the resident was about to begin using. It was then that both women began pushing each other in an attempt to gain control of the dryers.

Officer Reedy responded and spoke with both women who provided similar accounts of the incident but would not admit to who had pushed who.

Officer Reedy informed both women of the process to obtain warrants should either wish to pursue charges.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-00592 Maple Avenue at Courthouse Road, SW January 16 1:33 a.m.

PFC Lyons conducted a traffic stop after observing the driver of a vehicle commit several traffic infractions. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests PFC Lyons arrested Ms. Erin Nicole Scherer, 23, of Chain Bridge Road in Vienna for Driving While Intoxicated.

Ms. Scherer was transported to the Vienna Police Station where she was provided the opportunity to provide a sample of her breath for analysis. After completing the analysis she was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Ms. Scherer was to be release when she was sober.

Suspicious Event 14-00593 The Wolftrap Motel 430 Maple Avenue, West January 16 2:22 a.m.

A motel guest reported that he had requested the services of a masseuse to provide him with an in room massage.

The guest stated a short time later two men arrived at his motel room and began knocking on the door. He stated he did not open the door as was frightened that one of the men may have been carrying a weapon.

Officer Tracy along with Sgt. Farhan responded and where unable to locate anyone matching the description given by the guest. Officer Tracy informed the guest that he may want to change his room for the evening.

Animal Case 14-00621 Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South January 16 1:00 p.m.

ACO Barker responded for the report of a raccoon in the parking lot that was possibly sick.

ACO Barker determined that the raccoon could not be saved.

CRASHES

Courthouse Road near Maple Avenue, SW 14-00365 January 11 11:04 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling north bound on Courthouse Road approaching Maple Avenue, SW.

The driver of the second vehicle was attempting to exit a parking lot to make a right turn onto Courthouse Road, SW and struck the first vehicle.

Courthouse Road near Maple Avenue, West 14-00426 January 12 4:35 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling north bound on Courthouse Road approaching Maple Avenue, SW.

The driver of the second vehicle was exiting a parking lot and as the driver attempted to make a left turn onto Courthouse Road the vehicle collided with the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Maple Avenue near Park Street, SE 14-00447 January 13 10:38 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling east bound on Maple Avenue and stopped due to traffic.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling east bound in the same lane of traffic as the first vehicle. The driver of the second vehicle stated she looked down and when she looked back up she was unable to stop in time and rear ended the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Nutley Street at Kingsley Road, SW 14-00503 January 14 9:50 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling north bound on Nutley Street approaching the intersection with Kingsley Road, SW.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling west bound on Kingsley Road and attempted to make a right turn to go north bound on Nutley Street, SW and struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Yield the Right of Way.

300 Block Nutley Street, NW 14-00504 January 14 11:49 a.m.

The driver of a delivery truck parked his truck, on a slope, while making a delivery.

The driver stated he must not have set the parking brake securely as the truck drifted down the driveway across Nutley Street, running over a curb and coming to rest in the front yard of another residence.

The driver of the delivery truck was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Maple Avenue near Lewis Street, NW 14-00635 January 16 6:59 p.m.

The operator of a motorcycle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue, NW.

The driver of a vehicle was exiting a parking lot and pulled into the path of the motorcycle causing a collision.

The driver of the vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Stop before Entering a Highway.

CASE UPDATES

None.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

Note to Citizens: *Please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.*

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See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.

Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.